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Well, our British cousins have not captured that cup yet.

Three years ago Mr. Bryan baited his book with free silver and failed. Now he is trying anti-expansion, but he will find the fishing poorer than ever.

It is evident that William Jennings Bryan knows prosperity when he meets it. He has stopped making calamity and hardtimes speeches and is trying to fool the ole now on an entirely different line.

Americans think well of Sir Thomas Lipton and his Shamrock, and would not take It hard if he should win the cup; nevertheless, this kindly sentiment does not prevent them from indulging in broad grins when the Columbia wins.

Desertion by soldiers to escape service and danger has always been common in military history, but the volunteers at Honolulu are deserting and hiding themselves on transports bound for the Philippines in order to get where the fighting is.

The first race between the contending yachts resulted in a fair victory for the Columbia, yet the race does not seem to have been conclusive as to the respective merits of the two boats. The wind was s fitful that neither had a steady supply, and sometimes becalmed while the other was making good time. The fairest test would be a steady wind for both yachts

Candidate John R. McLean, of Ohio, is about to utilize the education he received at Heldelberg University by addressing German meetings in the large cities in their own language. As there is only one German newspaper in the State of any importance supporting him he must do something to counteract the large and serious defection among that class of voters. The Germans do not take kindly to a political boss with a barrel.

Careful inquiry as to the effect upon sales of the recent rise in the prices of the manufactures of iron has disclosed a large falling off in the demand. Farmers, machinists and builders are curtailing their purchases of implements, tools, nails, etc., and many building operations which had been contemplated have been postponed until prices shall come down. This is in accordance with a natural law of trade. When the effect of this curtailment of purchases begins to be felt prices will probably come

The first practical result of the recent discoveries of extensive marl deposits in what may be called the lake region of northern Indiana is the formation of a | tion for a county office on the fusion ticket, company for the manufacture of cement in | and the ex-chaplain of the regiment is Milford township, Lagrange county. The stumping the State for the Republicans company was incorporated yesterday with | Both parties are working hard to get the a capital stock of \$600,000. It is claimed by foreign vote, which is said to number from experts that the marl in northern Indiana, sixty thousand to seventy thousand, includmixed in proper proportions with a clay which exists there, will make a hydraulic fifteen thousand Swedes and fifteen thoucement equal to the best now manufactured. If this is so the present undertaking may prove to be the beginning of a very important industry in the State

While President McKinley on his tour i creating and fostering in the minds of his hearers higher sentiments of patriotism and Americanism William J. Bryan is doing al he knows how in the way of sowing the seeds of dissension, disloyalty and dissatisfaction. The latter appears to be doing all in his power to counteract the reviva in patriotism that came as a result of th late war and to teach un-Americanism at from \$200 to \$500 per lesson. When it comes to a choice between the two men for the presidency once more there will be even less hesitancy on the part of the people than there was three years ago.

In order to refute the charge that the automobile is a menace to the safety where the motor carriages are extensively used, publishes a list of accidents caused by horse and horseless vehicles, which is great ly in favor of the latter. Automobiles, according to this showing, caused one death and thirty-three wounds, while during the same time sixty-seven persons were killed bile, or, as New York street boys have i a "tommy." At the Paris rate, the horse i the best advertising medium the horseless carriage can have.

In starting a new controversy between the army and navy and making a personal attack on General Shafter, Admiral Sampson has done a very injudicious thing and one that will lose him friends. His statement is that the letter sent by General Shafter to the Spanish general Toral, after Cervera's squadron had been destroyed, was written by Captain Chadwick, of the navy, signed by General Shafter just as it was written. The letter informed the Spanish general of the destruction of the squadron, of the hopelessness of his situation, if he was inclined to doubt the statement regarding the destruction of the ships he npson's statement is to claim the main credit for the fall of Santiago for the navy and to put General Shafter in the position of the American people see a higher princi-

of merely signing and sending a letter originated and written by a naval officer. This is an ungracious and uncalled for act. Admitting that what Admiral Sampson says is true, and probably nobody will question his personal veracity, the fact remains that General Shafter was in command of the friends have been claiming that as chief in command of the fleet that destroyed Cergracious in him to attempt to rob an officer of credit who was in the fight on the land side. No patriotic motive could inspire the raising of such an issue between the army and navy, and in no view of the case can Admiral Sampson's statement be justified.

#### COMING ELECTIONS-NEBRASKA.

Unusual interest attaches to the approaching election in Nebraska. Elections will oc cur on next Nov. 7 in eleven States, namely Iowa, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Virginia. Some of these States will elect full sets of state officers, from Governor down, while others will elect particular officers or members of the Legislature. Senator Burrows says, in an article in the current number o the Forum: "It seems to me, in the light of reason and experience, that the state campaigns of this year cannot possibly be con ducted upon national issues, as they will b presented next year, and that the result of these elections, therefore, will give no safe indication of the probable outcome of the approaching presidential contest." The senator is probably mistaken. The coming elections are not as general or important as those in some years preceding a presidential election, but they are sufficiently so to have a distinct bearing on the contest of next year. The issues in the presidential election may be more distinctly defined than they are now, but they cannot be materially different. The silver question will probably be nearer the rear next year than it is now, and the question of national expansion or indorsing the administration of President McKinley more to the front, but they will be essentially the same. Both the silver question and the tariff question will be rendered obsolete for the time being by the unparalleled prosperity prevailing throughout the country, the effects of which will be felt even more a year hence than they are now. The main issue next year will be that of indorsing the conduct and harvesting the fruits of the war with Spain, and that is the real question at present, though the people are not as deeply interested, nor as much in earnest now as they will be next year. Of all the state elections above named that

n Nebraska is, on some accounts, the mos interesting. Formerly a strong Republican State it fell away several years ago and elected a Populist Governor and United States senator. Latterly, the Republicans have been gradually recovering their lost ground, but since the Democrats and Populists have effected a complete fusion they have a hard fight on their hands. This fusion is largely due to the personal efforts and popularity of Mr. Bryan, who, always a Populist at heart, is never better pleased than when he can bring Democrats into the Populist camp. He is undeniably popular in his own State, but well-informed Republicans do not think the Democratic-Populist fusion is as strong as it was a year ago, when the Republicans carried the Legislature and the fusionist candidate for Governor was elected by only 2,700 majority. The officers to be elected this year are a justice of the Supreme Court and two regents of the State University. Ordinarily these are not political offices, but Mr. Bryan has made them so this year. Under his leadership and dictation the campaign is being conducted largely on national issues, with anti-expansion at the front. The Republicans claim to have benefited by the returning soldiers of the First Nebraska Regiment, all of whom, to a man, are said to be in favor of supporting the administration and establishing the authority of the government in the Philippines, without reference to their future government or disposithe regiment, refused to accept a nominaing about thirty-five thousand Germans sand Bohemians. These voters are, or course, divided, and the Germans, especially, are an unknown quantity. If the Republicans carry Nebraska it will indicate that the popular drift throughout the counry is strongly in their favor and might seriously affect Mr. Bryan's prospects for

### the Democratic nomination next year. MR. ROBERTS'S DEFENSE.

The New York World publishes an interview with Representative-elect Brigham H. Roberts, of Utah, who is now in New York, relative to the movement to exclude him practical polygamist. As this is Roberts's first public allusion to the subject it is a matter of some interest to know how he regards it. He begins and ends by say ing: "I wish to designate the attitude of these people, my detractors, as a piece of unwarranted interference on the part of religious bigots." He declares that new polygamist marriages are prohibited both by the edict of the Mormon Church and by the Constitution of Utah, and that "all the polygamy that exists in Utah to-day is simply that some men who entered plural marriage relationship years ago under sanction of the teachings of the Mormon Church considered themselves under moral obligations to fulfill the conditions of the marriage covenant, and refused to cast off the women who trusted them." This is virtual admission that Mr. Roberts himself continues to maintain plural married relations entered into before the legal prohibition. It is doubtful whether the law would permit the continuance of such relations. and it certainly would not recognize their legality. Mr. Roberts says with some show of moral indignation: "It will be interesting to know just what moral or religious turning adrift these plural wives or disowning their offspring." And he asks: "What business is it of the people of New York whom the people of Utah elect to Congress?" From what has been quoted it is evident that Mr. Roberts takes a very narand demanded his surrender, adding that row view of the case and that he ignores its moral aspects entirely. He seems to think that the orly moral principle involved id come under a flag of truce and see is the obligation of a Mormon polygamist for himself. The evident intent of Admiral | to care for plural wives who were "sealed" before the practice was prohibited by the

-openly defies the laws and the moral sense of the country is fit to sit in the national legislature. That he fails to recognize the moral questions involved is shown by his reiterated designation of "the attitude of these people, my detractors, as a piece of unwarranted interference on the part of reletter, and that he received the surrender | ligious bigots." He entirely mistakes the of the Spanish forces. Admiral Sampson's grounds of the opposition to him. Insistence upon the observance of laws and cus-So, too, when Mr. Roberts asks, "What whom the people of Utah elect to Congress?" he takes another very narrow view of the case. A member of Congress from Utah helps to make laws for New York and Indiana, and the people of those States have a right to insist that none of their lawmakers shall be an open and defiant lawbreaker.

General Fitzhugh Lee, commanding the Department of Havana, has submitted an annual report in which, after discussing various matters of military detail, he concludes by recommending that a general election be ordered for President and civil officers, adding that "In this way the pledged taith of the United States to Cuba can be kept." The faith of the United States is pledged to "leave the government and control of the island to the people.' but that would scarcely justify dictating any particular form of government or mode of procedure. In fact, that would be violation of the spirit of the pledge. Probably the first step on the part of the Cubans will be a popular vote whether they desire annexation to the United States or a government of their own. If they decide in favor of the latter then it will be the duty of the United States to let them frame their own form of government, the United States assisting but not dictating.

The presentation of a portrait bust of Oliver P. Morton to the High School of Anderson, formalities of which are able by the statement in connection with it that this school will be the first to possess such a memorial of the war Governor. The school c'hildren of Indiana cannot have before them a better example of high patriotism and the importance of the fulfillment of duty under difficult conditions than in the case of Morton. It is well for them to have him in mind, and his portrait should be made familiar to all. In these days of decorated schoolrooms the first thought is to secure a work of classic art or the portrait of a literary celebrity, but one of these might well make way for the likeness of a man whose distinction was that he served his country in time of

A member of the State Board of Health has dispelled the Illusion that has begun to almost popular, that the burning of leaves is conducive to the dissemination of diphtheria. He says so far is this custom of disposing of the discarded foliage from being injurious that it is the best and most sanitary practical way of getting rid of that bulky garbage. Fire, he says, is always inimical to disease germs and has always been a means of purification. The State Board had a quiet smile at the expense of the cities that had passed ordinances prohibiting the burning of leaves within the city limits. In one of these cities, in which the local board of health had condemned the firing of dead foliage as the probable cause of diphtheria, the streets are, according to a local paper, so filthy that they smell to heaven not of leaves, but of other stenches that sweeping would remove.

# French Honor.

Chicago Daily News. Captain Cuignet has "avenged the honor of the French army" by spearing one Col. Schneider, of Austria, with an exaggerated hatpin during a "glorious duel," in which fiery Frenchman appears to have gained an overwhelming victory. Things are different in Europe and America. Captain Cuignet will be regarded as a hero in France and Colonel Schneider will be spoken of in Austria as chivalrous but unlucky. Had Captain Cuignet deemed the honor of the army insulted by an American and challenged him to battle, the challenge would probably have been accepted by a football rush that would have precipitated the valiant general into the middle of the boulevard, the army honor would have gone unavenged and a shout of laughter would have resounded from America and Britain, lands where the fist is mightier than the sword and the duel is regarded as farce-comedy at one-night stands.

# New York Vulgarity.

William Archer, in Pall Mall Magazine. I had not been three hours on American soil before I heard a charming young lady remark, "Oh, it was bully!" I gathered that this expression is considered admissible in the conversation of grown-up only in New York. I often heard there and never anywhere else. A very distinguished officer who served as a volunteer in Cuba was asked to state his impressions of war. "War." he said. "is a ter-You can't exaggerate its horrors. When you sit in your tent the night before a battle and think of home and your wife and children you feel pretty sick and down-hearted. But," he added, "next day when you're in it, oh, it is bully."

# American Military Honor.

Hartford Courant. A scandal of this sort (the Carter affair) n the regular army is as strange as it is deplorable. Nowhere on earth is there a nigher standard of personal honor than the officers and gentlemen of the army, and nowhere is there a more general conformity to that standard throughout life. Many of them, it is true, swear a bit in ents of excitement; a few drink more than is really good for them; poker is not absolutely unknown in the army. But, with most infrequent exceptions, the men trained at West Point abhor dishonesty as they abhor cowardice. They don't lie and they lon't steal. We do not expect to see another Carter case in the next half century.

# The Hand-Shaking Nuisance.

New York Tribune Few people will find fault with Admiral Dewey's aversion to promiscuous handshaking, and his frankness in objecting to and refusing to submit to it is the latest of the many little indices of his candid nature, which the American people have come to admire along with his professional abilty and his splendid, manly character. Most public men, we believe, really object to this sort of thing, but rarely does one stand up and speak his mind on the subject as the admiral has. Most of them suffer in silence. The man who insists on shaking hands with the "man of the hour" is about on a par with the persistent souvenir col-

#### lector and the camera "flend." Valuable Newspaper.

A writer in the Evening Telegraph, discussing the value of the Record-attained by the careful handling of its present management-estimates it at \$5,000,000. The Record is undoubtedly one of the finest newspaper operties in the country, and was never before so prosperous nor so well worth the consideration of investors. When freed from delaying legal entanglements, which have prevented its sale, there is no doubt that in the present booming condition of trade the creditors of the late Mr. Singerly will realize from this most valuable of his assets thrice over what could have been ob-

# Statues Should Face the South.

tained for it at the time of the crash in

Washington Star. A group of sculpture should never front to the north, from which point it is always viewed under unfavorable conditions, as the strong southern light is trying to the eyes and the features of the figures are in such deep shadows that they can hardly be seen -certainly not to advantage. Facing the south the conditions are all reversed. Such mistakes, it may be added, are rarely made by artists, but sometimes by the directing authorities. A case in point is the statue of Penn, surmounting the City Hall in

ple than that, namely, whether a man who man equestrian statue, to be erected in openly defies the laws and the moral sense front of the Treasury building in this city.

### A JAPANESE VIEW. Unstinted Praise for Visiting Veter-

ans from Manila.

Tokio (Japan) Daily Herald. For the last few days we have had in Yokohama nearly 3,000 American volunteers, who have completed their term of service in Philippines, and are now homeward bound. One thing is apparent to everybody and that is the exemplary behavior of this arge number of men on shore leave. A few housand soldiers are a small army, and nobody who has watched them can have failed to have remarked, as they roam over the town, their quiet and friendly demeanor toward Japanese and foreigners alike, and the entire absence of drunkenness among their

The police, on whom the brunt of keeping devolves in the first instance, report -both in Nagasaki and here-that they have not had a single case of refractory behavior or intoxication to deal with. Aside from the fact that the American soldier is the best paid in the world, we find that their ranks are not made up of vagabonds who were out of a place in the first place, and took the chance to get employment, but of intelligent men, among whom are bankers, lawyers, merchants, farmers, mechanics, etc., who left their homes when the country called for volunteers to fight for its cause. And these men have done honor to their country and to their flag. They have shown that gentlemen can be fighters, and are proving now that fighters can be gentlemen.

### A Hideous Weapon for Cavalrymen.

New Orleans Times-Democrat. "The new Mauser pistol, with which ou cavalry is about to be armed, is a horriblelooking piece of machinery," said an esthetic New Orleans sportsman yesterday. "It doesn't resemble a firearm at all, but looks like some strange scientific instrument such as one might see in a laboratory. Imagine a cigar box, japanned black, with a handle at one end and a short tube at the other, and there you have it. The box contains the mechanism and the tube spouts bullets. The cavalrymen of the past was a dashing figure. He wore a steel cuirass and a helmet with nodding plumes, and while he carried a brace of pistols in his holsters his real weapon was his trusty saber. Do you remember the splendid fellows who are galloping past Napoleon in Meissonr'r's '1807?' Since then science has graduall, sucked all the poetry out of war, and the Mauser pistol is the last work of brutal utilitarianism. The cavalryman of the future will carry nothing but a small black walnut box, and will closely resemble a surgeon going out to operate for appendicitis. When 'he gets to the right spot, designated by the engineer corps, he will dismount, open the box, take out his hideous Mauser machine, hook the case one end, so as to form a shoulder rest, spray a few quarts of projectiles in a given direction, and go home again to rest after the fatigue of the fray. If the calculations of the range finder are all right his bullets perforate somebody a mile away. That will be war a la mode. In some respects it is a great improvement on the old style, but it will inspire no poets. Imagine Tennyson writing the 'Charge of the Light Brigade' about a cavalry regiment armed with Mauser automatics!

#### our Mohammedan Fellow-Citizens. Washington Letter, in Philadelphia Tele-

A regular army officer, stationed with the garrison at Sulu, in the Island of Sulu, writing to an officer at Washington, gives an account of the situation there which is rather quaint. He describes the fortified town as covering a few acres, inclosed with a high stone wall. The inhabitants, who are Mohammedans, were, he says, rather disposed to mind their own business, and there would have been little trouble at any time f it had not been for the uncomfortable habit among them of running amuck. This peculiar pastime, which he describes, as other writers on the Philippines have described it, consists in a native Mohammedan stripping himself and greasing his body, and then running among the Christo see how many he can kill before he is himself done for. Having but a small garrison this habit of the natives caused considerable trouble, and required constant watchfulness until an unexpected circumstance changed the whole situation. The garrison was reinforced, he says, and the barracks, having but limited capacity, i became necessary to quarter some of the soldiers in a Christian church. As soon as this was done the annoyance from the Mohammedans running amuck ceased, and the Mohammedans became very friendly. The explanation of this sudden change of sentiment towards the Americans given by the native chief was that since the Americans used the church for barracks they could not be Christians, and, therefore, there was no occasion for the Mohammedan fanatics to kill them. The religious fervor of the fan-atic was fully satisfied by the apparent desecration of the Christian church by the

# Monument Commissioners Criticised

Chicago Evening Post. In Indianapolis the board of regents of soldiers' monument has been badly scared by general criticism of its taste in sculpture; so much so that it has abandoned its trust. Were the regents to step aside in favor of a committee of experts, or were they to request advice from such a body as the National Sculpture Society, nothing better could be desired. But no; their present plan is to exhibit all models submitted in competition and have the choice made by a public vote. One can imagine what would be said of a committee in charge of laying a railroad or building a bridge which should leave the selection of the engineers to popular voice. With the amount Indianapolis is sinking in that monument she ought to have something that should be a glory to her for all time. Smaller sums have purchased works of art which have become objects of pilgrimage to all nations. But Indianapolis is not going the right way to get her money's worth. At all events, she is presenting a valuable object lesson to other communities on how to do it, and her board of regents is becoming a horrible example of the danger of thinking you know

#### A Transvaal Vocabulary. Boston Transcript.

Perhaps a little South African Dutch vocabulary may be useful at this juncture. 'Veld" is a prairie; "kloof" is a hollow tween two hills; "dorp" is a village, and 'spruit" a stream or rivulet. Here are other words for ready and imposing use the pole of an ox wagon; "trek-touw," the chain to which the team of oxen is fastened; 'kraal" means a collection of huts (do not apply it, erroneously, to one hut-the word was originally Spanish); "sjambok," a thick strip of hide, often rhinoceros, used as a whip, came from the Malays, who were imported into Cape Colony during the seventeenth century, as slaves, from Malacca; "voortrekkers" means pioneers; "laagers" are wagons arranged in the form of a circle with thorny brushwood placed between the wheels: "Boer" means a Cape Colonist of French or Dutch descent. It means liter-"boor" and is not acceptable to the Dutch element, who call themselves "Afri-

# The Difference of Clothing.

New York Evening Sun. How much more toughness and endurance the average woman has than the average man when it comes to a question of the cold. One would have a sort of pity for a man who should venture out on the chilly days of autumn with no overcoat. Yet the extra coat that the woman dons is no thicker nor warmer than the ordinary inside coat that a man wears within doors, and in which he looks "peaked" in the outer air. But the woman, on the other hand, wears that little coat over a cotton shirt waist, and is warm and comfortable. Often in this climate the addition of a fur collarette is the only concession she makes to the colder days when a man's light overcoat is banished by the coming of the heavier winter garment. In summer it is as much of a mystery how the man can smilingly endure the eternal coat, while his sister, or wife, or mother covers her shoulders with the airiest

# What Causes Insanity?

Leslie's Weekly. There were admitted to the asylum of New York State during the year 406 persons whose insanity was attributed to adverse conditions, such as loss of friends, business troubles, etc. The number of victims of mental strain or overwork was 298. Religious excitement was the cause in ninetysix cases. Forty-seven-fourteen men and thirty-three women-lost their reason because of "love affairs." Fright and nervous shock made fifty-two insane. Intemperance was the cause in 534 instances. Through diseases of the physical system or from causes not ascertained 3,216 persons were committed as insane. The total number admitted during the year was 4.649, and of these fifty-five were found to be not insane. Nearly half of those admitted had inherited

# A Shot from Sam Jones.

the taint of insanity.

Minneapolis Tribune. The Rev. Sam Jones, the exhorter, some times dips into politics with startling effect. He said the other day in an address in Geor-"The biggest fool in the world is the one who stands up and argues against facts. I was talking to one of those free-silver loons a few days ago and calle

He said, 'It ain't struck me yet.' I said, 'It's mighty hard to hit nothing.'" And this right in the former hotbed of free silverism. The Rev. Sam is plucky and a hard hitter.

# Swinburnean Inspiration.

Chicago Daily News. Swinburne, the English poet, has come ou with a sonnet on the Transvaal, in which he hysterically urges the Britons to "scourge these dogs agape with jaws afoam down out of life." Those who have been behind the scenes wonder how much artificial inspira-tion was necessary before that hydrophobic line sprang from the poetical cranium. Austin, the English poet laureate, need "cudgel his brains no more" in vain endeavor to compete with such an inspired effort, but he might offer to share with Swinburne that annual "pipe of wine" to which his laureate services entitle him. He need not fear a refusal

### An Engaging "Ad."

New York Commercial Advertiser. Up beyond the Bronx there is an inn at which bicyclists and "people who come chaises" stop for rest and refreshment. the hall there is a bulletin board covered with posters, time table and all kinds of advertising. All day long men and women of all ages pass through that hall, and none of them ever seems to take the slightest notice of any of the advertisements on the wall but one. Before that each woman stops for a second, and each man gives it a glance as he passes by-and it is nothing out a plain looking glass with the name of a wily firm written across it.

### Good Neighbors.

Orleans (Ind.) Progress. A party of about thirty or forty of the good neighbors of Miss Martha Craig, a maiden lady who resides about three miles southwest of Orleans, surprised her last Saturday by bringing well-filled baskets and her birthday. She was taken completely by surprise, and it was a sight to see the good things the neighbors brought in. The men of the party conducted a side feature called "wood-chopping" and they prepared enough wood to last through the winter.

### Andrews's Powerful Mind.

Chicago Post. Dr. Andrews now says the "Recessional" objectionable in the public schools mainly because it is a hymn. In that category also must be placed "America" and the "Battle Hymn of the Republic." To be logical he must eliminate both these from the schools, or the feelings of the agnostic taxpayers will continue to be lacerated. The saneness of the worthy doctor will be suspected if he continues to drool in this fashion. Such a ruling verges on asininity.

### A Shocking Affair.

Chicago Post. Bryan's friends to learn that he shook hands vesterday with that dangerous imperialist, McKinley. Just think of greeting in this friendly manner a man who is doing his best to destroy his country by loading it up with prosperity and islands.

### Why Uncle Sam Smiles.

As Uncle Sam balances up his foreign ledger every month he cannot help smiling sees the footings. The balance on the right side keeps right on growing, and when he gets ready to call for a settlement there will be a skirmishing over on the other side.

#### American Citizenship Honored. Minneapolis Tribune. American citizenship has received another

ligh tribute in the honors showered upon ex-President Harrison by England, France and Germany during his recent sojourn abroad in a purely personal capacity as one of the counsel in the Venezuela arbitration

### The Tables Turned.

Philadelphia Times. The emancipation of women may have its drawbacks, after all. A wife in Cleveland, O., who is being sued for divorce, has been ordered by the court to pay \$4 a week alimony to her husband pending the decision of the case and \$20 attorney's fees.

### Our Ball Players.

We are advised that the Western League changed its name to head off a rival. The "American" is something worth monopolizing without doubt, but the rival still has "Union," "Federal" and "Eureka" to fall back on.

# His Many Dutles.

Detroit Journal. Richard Harding Davis expected to be able to go to South Africa to conduct the campaign for the British, but he is detained at home in order to tell the skippers how to sail their craft in the yacht races,

# The Gracious Mason.

New York Mail and Express. Senator Mason, of Illinois, spoke from the same platform with the President in Chicago on Monday. For a man who is ashamed of his country, Mr. Mason is quite graciously condescending

#### Bryan's Admission. St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

There seems to be some business activity," grudgingly admits Colonei Bryan. If the colonel had lived in the days of the flood he might have been induced to observe that "it looks like rain.

# Unreasonable,

The young woman who insists on a dianond engagement ring, with the Transvaal war sending diamond prices up. doesn't hold out the necessary encouragement to her

#### young man. Voice from Kansas.

Kansas City Journal If President Kruger thinks he can stand off an army fed on Kansas City beef and backed by a cavalcade of Missouri mules, his faith in Providence must be simply

# A Mild Affair.

Kansas City Journal. If the war in the Transvaal has really pened, it is a very mild affair. Dewey opened the war in the Philippines he whole world heard the cork come out.

# Short Skirts.

Atchison Globe. A woman wearing a rainy day skirt fropped a bundle on the street to-day, and was afraid to stoop over and pick it up.

#### She therefore called a policeman. He Would Have It So.

St. Paul Pioneer Press. Mr. Stead's inquiry, "Shall I slay my brother Boer?" seems to be in a way to be answered in the affirmative, inasmuch as the Boer himself will have it so.

#### His Weapons. Philadelphia Times.

McLean claims he has the opposition scared in Ohio. And to prove the boasts are not empty he may have the empty barrels to show for it.

#### The Only Hope. Memphis Commercial-Appeal. We can hardly expect any reliable news from South Africa until James Creelman sets up his correspondent's theodolite on Mole St. Nicholas.

We are beginning to understand just what is the matter with Illinois politics. No prisoners have been received at Joliet for over a month

Just So.

At the same time for cotton mills in the

South to make 94 per cent, profit shows the

Explanation.

# big amount of cotton yarns they are turning

Philadelphia Times.

Why America is So Great. Brooklyn Eagle. Because she has Miles of men, fighting o Merritt, as strong as Sampson, as Schley as a fox. What more Dewey want?

#### A Natural Effect. Minneapolis Journal.

Mr. Wheel, of West Virginia, who named his boy Emery, is preparing to make life a severe grind for the youth.

# A Suggestion.

Washington Post. Has it ever occurred to the Hon. Perry Heath to try a fourth-class postoffice ap-pointment on Aguinaldo?

Manifestly Proper. Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph. Richard Harding Davis and James Creek nan ought to rush to South Africa to take

CITY IS \$75,000 AHEAD ON THE SET-

TLEMENT OF ITS GAS WAR.

Details of the Compromise-Vein Valuable Mineral Found in Jackson County-Chase Lunacy Hearing.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. PERU, Ind., Oct. 16.-The city to-night won a bitter contest that has been waged for years against the local branch of the Dieterich natural gas syndicate for a reduction of rates, and has won other points which mean a loss and expenditure of \$75,-000 by the company. Three years ago the City Council candidates pledged themselves in public meetings to bring about a onethird reduction in natural gas rates when the time came for a new ordinance. The ordinance was adopted, but the gas company tried to show that it could not operate under its terms. The company brought action in the Circuit Court to enjoin the city from enforcing the ordinance, and a temporary injunction was secured, but the case regarding the rates was decided against the company by Judge Cox, and again by Judge Baker, of the Federal Court, on an appeal. The company then carried the case to the United States Supreme Court and it was to have come up this term. The company insisted that it could not have such a reduction imposed on it. A pumping station long has been

needed to increase Peru's supply of gas,

but the company refusd to install one until

the suit was settled. A few weeks ago it announced that all factories, public buildings, oil well engines and other large consumers of gas would be shut off on the approach of cold weather, to allow better service to private houses. This decision aroused the conservative element of the city and though there were mass meetings of opposition, the leading business men knew too well the effects of such a loss of gas and began at once to work for a compromise. James Murdock, | fore Judge Henry C. Fox and a jury sesistant to President Dieterich; Col. San local manager, have had frequent consulta- | thirty more. Several hours were consumed tions with the Council regarding a compromise, but it was very hard to reach an agreement. At first the gas company refused any rebate and any reduction, so the propositions had to be altered many times. Finally to-night, after being in session during the afternoon and evening, the Council, the merchants' committee and the gas company agreed upon the following terms of settlement. The company will dismiss its case and pay all costs, amounting to about \$10,000; will install a pumping station costing \$40,000; will supply the city institutions with free gas, which means \$1,000 a year, or \$5,000 for the estimated life of gas, and will give a 10 per cent. reduction on the first two stoves at each home, which means \$20,000 for the five years of the life of gas; altogether amounting to a concession of \$75,000 to the city. The supply is to be kept up without an increase in price or dimunition of service as long as

# any other pipe line city is supplied.

#### A VEIN OF TRIPOLI Uncovered by a Pair of Mules in Western Jackson County.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. SEYMOUR, Ind., Oct. 16.-A vein tripoli has been discovered in the hills Salt Creek township, fifteen miles west of this city, on the Southern Indiana Railway. The vein is twenty-four inches thick, and, so far as investigated, seventy feet wide, but its depth is unknown. span of mules owned by A. H. Harbaugh, on whose farm the mine is located, sought shelter under a tree, and in pawing the ground uncovered the vein, which at this point is nearly as fine as flour. A quantity of the substance was sent to State Geologist Blatchley, who declared it to be tripoli, and who is now engaged in analyzing the same. Mr. Blatchley also informed Harbaugh that the mineral was not worth less

than \$5 a ton. Tripoli was found in Newton county, Mis-souri, in 1870, but the value of the material was not known and it was not worked until 1887. The mineral found in Missouri was a hard substance, but was ground up and made into a fine powder. The grain is sharp and cutting, and yet fine enough not to scratch a metal surface in polishing. The vein opened on Mr. Harbaugh's farm is not so hard, but falls in a floury mass whenever a shovel is run into the bed. Since it has been learned in the neighborhood that the find is considered a valuable one, every body is under the impression that a rich vein underlies his own farm, and post-hole diggers and drills are in use on many places day by men searching for the mineral. Mr. Harbaugh owns forty-eight acres of land surrounding the vein and has received several offers for the land, which is a brownish clay soil and not very productive

#### for farming purposes. Tripoli is decomposed, impure limestone. It is extensively used for polishing purposes, Tripoli is the same as "rotten stone

THE FOWLER CHASE ACTION.

#### Preparing for the Final Move in the Lafayette Insanity Case.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. LAFAYETTE, Ind., Oct. 16 .- Lafayette is just now restless in anticipation of the developments likely to come with the sanity trial of young Fowler Chase, the owner of more than a half million in cash. bonds and real estate, for the control of which there has been in recent months a contest between the father and the young man's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Duhme, of Cincinnati. This new interest is occasioned by the arrival here on an early train this morning of Fowler Chase and the Duhmes, who are now occupying the old Fowler homestead while awaiting the calling of the case in the Circuit Court. They were driven to the house in a closed cab, and have steadfastly refused to admit any one who desired to talk about the case. Lawyer A. L. Kumler, representing the Duhmes, says the defendants and his clients are ready for their appearance and are prepared to resist the attempt to prove the young man of unsound mind, but he insists

that the case cannot be tried through the newspapers.

Frederick Chase, the father, is now in the city. It is understood that he has given up city. It is understood that he has given up with the son, having failed signally in a recent trip to Maine for this purpose. this connection it is asserted by Chase's attorneys that he went East in pursuance of an agreed plan whereby he was to meet his son, but the Duhmes pudiated the agreement and denied him the promised privilege. All of these disputed points will be brought out in court if pos-sible. It has not been definitely determined when the case will be called in the Circuit Court, it having been decided by the pre siding judge to dispose of the criminal calon which there are several cases,

#### before taking up this question. BODY ARRIVES IN WABASH.

Funeral of Capt. Atkinson Will Be Attended by Nearly All the City.

WABASH, Ind., Oct. 16 .- The body

pecial to the Indianapolis Journal.

Capt. A. M. Atkinson, whose sudden death occurred Saturday night at Cincinnati, arrived in Wabash this morning at 10 o'clock in a special car over the Big Four line, accompanied by Mrs. Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Atkinson and Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Howe. On arrival here the remains were transferred to the beautiful new home which Captain Atkinson had just completed at the corner of Maple and Wabash streets. and which he had occupied less than two weeks. Large numbers of intimate friends of the family called this afternoon to express the sympathy and sorrow felt in the community. The funeral will be to-morrow from the home at 10:45 a. m., Rev. W. T. Groom, pastor of the Christian Church, onducting the service. The pallbearers will be Mayor McHenry, M. R. Gardner, R. P. Blount, J. W. G. Stewart, Thad Hoke, lames Early and C. J. Hubbard. The public schools will be dismissed and every businesses.

ness house in the city will close from 16 to will shut down for several hours.

### INDIANA OBITUARY. irs. Clara Dutton, of Sullivan, as the

Result of a Surgical Operation. Special to the Indianapolis Journal. SULLIVAN, Ind., Oct. 16 .- Mrs. Clara Dutton, wife of George R. Dutton, a retired banker of this city, died to-day at the Union Hospital in Terre Haute as the result of a surgical operation. She was about thiry-five years old, a member of the Pres-byterian Church and prominent in church and society circles. She was a sister to Dr. Louis K. Stock, of this city.

### Died En Route to the Cemetery.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. PATRIOT, Ind., Oct. 16.-While going to the cemetery with the body of his wife, yesterday, Wilson McCreary, residing near Florence, died very suddenly of heart disease. He was about eighty years old. The wife's funeral was postponed until to-day, when both were buried.

# Other Deaths.

VERNON, Ind., Oct. 16.-Hiram Elliott duration. Mr. Elliott was a member of one of the pioneer families in this county and one of the most prosperous farmers in all WABASH, Ind., Oct. 16.-Daniel Lizer, and old resident of Wabash county and for

many years a citizen of Wabash, died this morning at his home in Lincolnville from paralysis. He sustained a stroke three weeks ago. He was sixty-five years of and was long in business here. COLUMBUS, Ind., Oct. 16.-Mrs. Nancy Houser, ninety-six years old, died of old age at the home of her son-in-law, Newton C. Springer, to-day. Mrs. Hauser was the oldest person in Bartholomew county and

had been a resident here for fifty-four MADISON, Ind., Oct. 16.—Reuben Hoff-stadt, one of the oldest dry goods mer-chants of Madison, died to-night. He was fifty-nine years old.

### UNDER TRIAL AT RICHMOND. Benjamin W. Simmons, for the Kill-

ing of John Webb, a Railroader. Special to the Indianapolis Journal. RICHMOND, Ind., Oct. 16.-The trial of Benjamin F. Simmons for murder began in the Wayne Circuit Court this morning belected from among forty-two men-the re Murdock, his son, and R. H. Bouslog, the | ular petit jury and a special venire of in getting the jury, and it was not until after noon that Prosecutor W. A. Bond made the opening statement for the state and the introduction of evidence began, Simmons, the defendant, is a well-known man who has been in business here for years. His victim was a young railroader, John Webb, whose separation from his wife is alleged to have been due to jealousy caused by Simmons. The state will endeavor to show that Simmons did the shooting without any provocation on Webb's part in the nature of an overt act, even as much as a threat. Simmons is under indictment for second degree murder.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS. The Second Council in the State Is In-

stituted at Fort Wayne.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. FORT WAYNE, Ind., Oct. 16.-A local council of the Knights of Columbus was organized here yesterday in the presence of members from Indianapolis, Detroit, Toledo, Grand Rapids and other large cities. Mass was celebrated in the morning by Rev. P. J. O'Reilly. A banquet was spread for 200 guests in the dining room of the Wayne Hotel in the afternoon, Dr. E. J. McOscar presiding as toastmaster. Among those who responded to toasts were Father O'Reilly, whose speech was notable for its tributes to American liberty and for loyalty of utterance; George Monahan, of the Michigan State Senate; A. M. Sweeny, of In-dianapolis; Martin Quinn, of Lafayette, formerly minute clerk of the Indiana Senate, and many others. This is the second council of the order to be instituted in this State, the first being located in Indianapolis. The charter roll contains about fifty

### names. VERDICT FOR DEFENDANTS In a Peculiar Suit for Damages Grow-

ing Out of an Arrest. Special to the Indianapolis Journal. PORTLAND, Ind., Oct. 16 .- A peculiar damage suit was finished in the Jay Circuit Court to-day when the jury returned a verdict for the defendants in the damage suit brought by Francis Yates against William H. Stuck and Isaac Coon for \$5,000 damages. The jury was out twelve hours and the verdict given was unexpected. The story of the case is an odd one. Stuck. then marshal of Parker City, had a warrant for Yates on a criminal charge and deputized Coon to go with him. They went to Yates's house. He thought he was being robbed and jumped out of the window and ran. The officers pursued him and shot, a bullet taking effect in Yates's hip. He then sued the officers, alleging that had gone out of their own county, Ran-dolph, into Delaware without being provided with the certificates from the clerk to show

### their authority. DRAGGED BY A HORSE.

Was Killed in a Runaway. Special to the Indianapolis Journal. WABASH, Ind., Oct. 16 .- The thirteenyear-old son of William Bell, a farmer living twelve miles northwest of Wabash. was killed this morning. With his father he was hauling some log troughs out of the woods and the horse, on which the boy sat, not moving rapidly enough, the father struck it a light blow, when it broke away from its load. The boy fell and, being entangled in the harness, was dragged at a high speed a mile and a half. The frightened animal then turned and came back over the same course. The horrified father ran to the rescue, but the boy was dead when released. All his limbs and his neck were broken and the body was mangled

# WIFE INSANE, HUSBAND GONE. Is Feared the Latter, a Wabash

Fireman, Has Killed Himself. special to the Indianapolis Journal. WABASH, Ind., Oct. 16 .- David Utz, who lived seven miles south of this city, is mysteriously missing and it is feared has committed suicide. Last week Mrs. Utz became violently insane and was brought to Wabash and placed in jail pending a lunacy. inquiry. The hearing was fixed for this morning and when witnesses called at the home for Mr. Utz they found his home tightly locked, his stock unfed and suffering and not a trace of him could be seen, Peering through the windows they observed that the bed had not been slept in. Since then the vicinity has been searched carefully by the neighbors, but not a clew to

#### the missing man has been found. BODY FOUND ON THE TRACK. Pennsylvania Railroad Detective

Killed in the Fort Wayne Yards. Special to the Indianapolis Journal. FORT WAYNE, Ind., Oct. 16 .- The body of Jesse Shisler, a detective in the service of the Pennsylvania Company, was found in the cast railroad yards this morning. It was horribly mutilated and had evidently been run over by a train. As the watch on the dead man's person had stopped at 5 o'clock, it is believed the fast limited train struck him as he stepped from a freight train, though no one saw the accident, and the exact truth may never be known. Shis-ler had worked for the company five years, coming from Oakwood, O. He was twenty-

#### nine years old and single. TROUBLE IN THE FRATERNITIES Kappa Gamma Expelled from the Cen-

tral Society at Bloomington.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Oct. 16.-The Greeks of Sorosis, in Indiana University, are considerably agitated over the expulsion of the Kappa Gamma society from the

alliance of the four fraternities in that ety and its release from a contract into